

REMARKS

Pursuant to the Examiner's request, Applicant above has amended the specification to make reference to several figures, namely Figures 18(a) and (b) and Figure 19. The verbiage being added by way of the above amendment has been taken directly from co-owned, related parent application serial number 09/861,016, now U.S. patent no. 6,516,223, of which this application is a continuation, and which parent application is a child of application serial number 09/177,678, filed Oct. 22, 1998, which issued on 5 June 2001 as U.S. patent no. 6,241,701. As such, this amendment is fully supported, and in any event it adds no new matter, as it simply provides a brief description of each of Figures 18(a) and (b) and Figure 19.

CONCLUSION

Applicant requests prompt processing of the amendment above and accompanying petition, which will put this application back on course for issuance. Of course, should any issues or questions remain, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 858.350.9690 so that the same may be quickly resolved.

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